

AVON OLD FARMS SCHOOL



Why?

Because Avon is
EXPERT IN EDUCATING BOYS



Honoring Tradition. Inspiring Excellence.™



Boys learn differently.



“Young men benefit the most from experienced teachers who understand how the brain of an adolescent male works and how best to stimulate them in a variety of situations and settings.”

- Art Custer,
Dean of Curriculum & Instruction



At Avon Old Farms, we understand that boys learn differently.

At Avon Old Farms, we design the academic, athletic, and residential programs to support our students. Our robust programs create a foundation for learning that allows each boy to find his niche and take risks in his individual pursuit of excellence. Avon Old Farms takes pride in decades of successfully educating young men.

Avon Old Farms is one of the finest preparatory schools for boys; our understanding of adolescent boys and their development is key to our success. Our mission is to cultivate young men of integrity, who honor wisdom, justice, inclusion, service, and the pursuit of truth.



Learn Through Experiencing



The landscape of learning constantly changes, and Avon Old Farms embraces innovation. Boys learn better when they are active and engaged, which is why our curriculum offers experiential learning across all disciplines. In the classroom, teachers strive to create an environment that is energetic and relational; lessons encourage students to work together in the quest for knowledge. As one of the best preparatory schools for boys, Avon Old Farms harnesses boys' strengths to establish a pursuit of excellence that will last a lifetime.



TEACHER



MENTOR



COACH

Avon teachers have three times the educational impact.



see on the playing field, in the dorm, or around campus. Because of the familial atmosphere within the classroom, students are comfortable taking risks, and are inspired to perform to the best of their ability.

Boys are relational learners. At Avon Old Farms, faculty are “triple threats,” interacting with students as teachers, mentors, and coaches.

The community at Avon Old Farms is unlike any other school in the nation. From early in the morning to late at night, students and faculty work together to grow academically and emotionally.

A weekday at Avon Old Farms begins at 7:45 a.m. when the entire school gathers for morning meeting in Brown Auditorium or the Chapel. Avon Old Farms continues to honor the tradition of starting each day this way, and our sense of community thrives from this routine. During the academic day, students attend classes with faculty members that they know on a personal level and

“The spirit of community at Avon Old Farms is unmatched; it is rooted in the relationships that faculty are able to forge with all students. Because boys are relational learners, our students thrive by interacting with faculty that serve as teachers, mentors, and coaches. Through this bond, faculty and students are able to challenge and support one another in the life-long pursuit of knowledge and striving to be one's best self.”

- Trevor Stern
English Department Chair

Students and faculty at Avon Old Farms share a common lifestyle that promotes learning, growth, and living a life that matters. The sound of the dinner bell can be heard in the Refectory to give thanks for the friendship and fraternity found at Avon Old Farms or to appreciate the rest that comes at the end of a well-spent day. The Brotherhood at Avon Old Farms is a lifestyle.



Located approx. **2** hours
from Boston & NYC

CAMPUS SIZE:
860 ACRES

STUDENTS:



75% Boarding **25%** Day

28

States & Countries Represented
including Puerto Rico & D.C.



24

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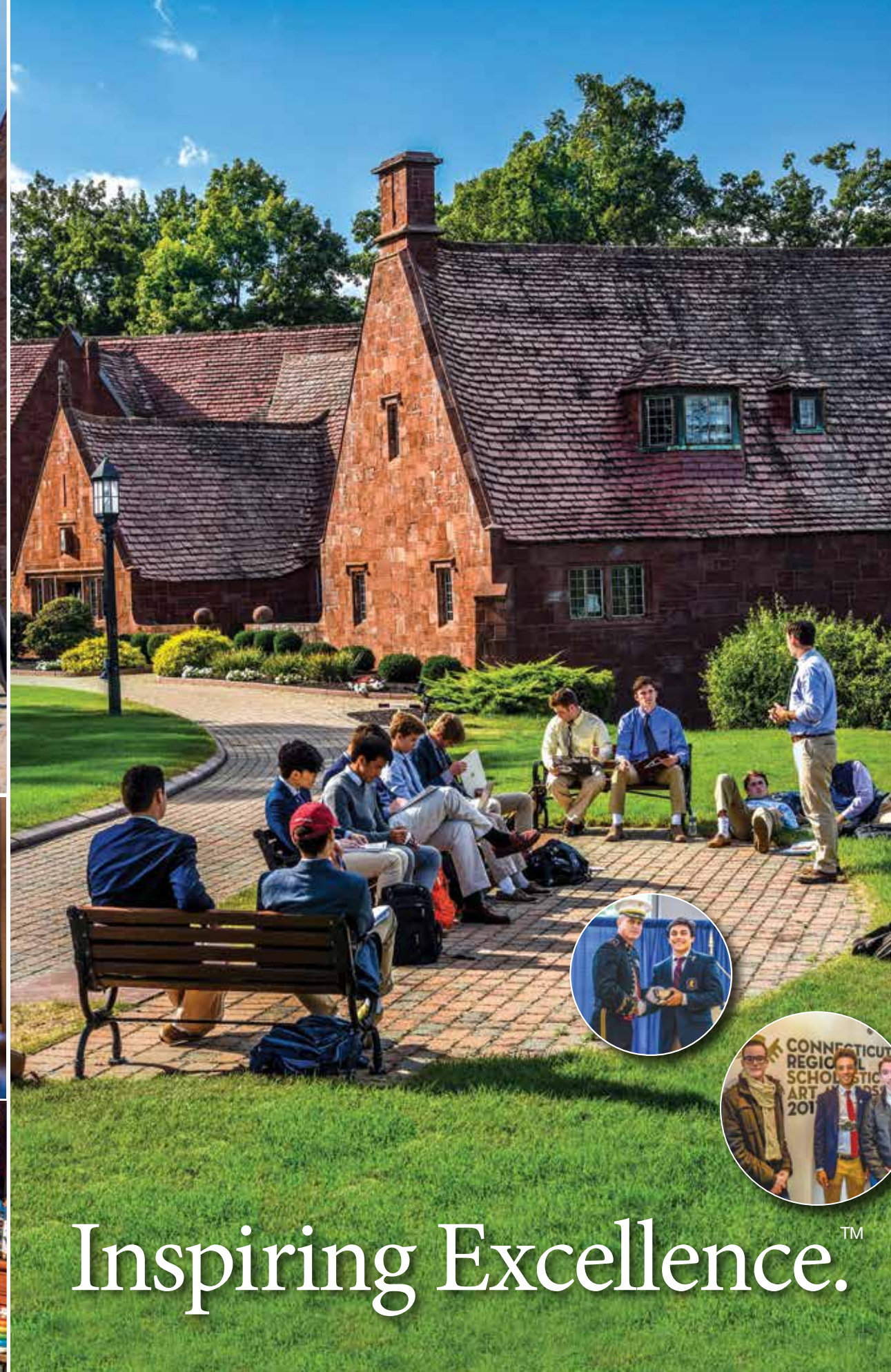
Average Class Size



Student/Teacher Ratio 6:1



Honoring Tradition.



Excellence is a mindset.

At Avon Old Farms, we encourage our students to explore their potential in the classroom, on the athletic fields, in the art studios, in the community, and on the stage. Because we believe in the value of a well-rounded man, our faculty challenge and guide each student to not only find his niche, but also broaden his experiences to cultivate a holistic educational experience. Learning at Avon Old Farms extends beyond the classroom walls because Men of Avon learn to embrace the trials that accompany the pursuit of individual growth.



Inspiring Excellence.™



Founded in 1927, AVON OLD FARMS IS A WORLD-CLASS COLLEGE PREPARATORY SCHOOL FOR BOYS THAT CULTIVATES YOUNG MEN OF INTEGRITY, WHO HONOR WISDOM, JUSTICE, INCLUSION, SERVICE, AND THE PURSUIT OF TRUTH.



Theodate Pope Riddle, one of America's first licensed female architects, built Avon Old Farms specifically to address the needs of educating young men within one of the most beautiful campuses in New England.



Avonian Core Values

School Motto:

Aspirando Et Perseverando

(Aspire & Persevere)

The Winged Beaver

The wings of aspiration represent the soaring flight of an eagle and perseverance is symbolized in the relentless effort of a beaver.



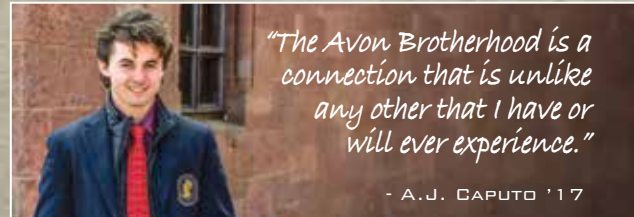
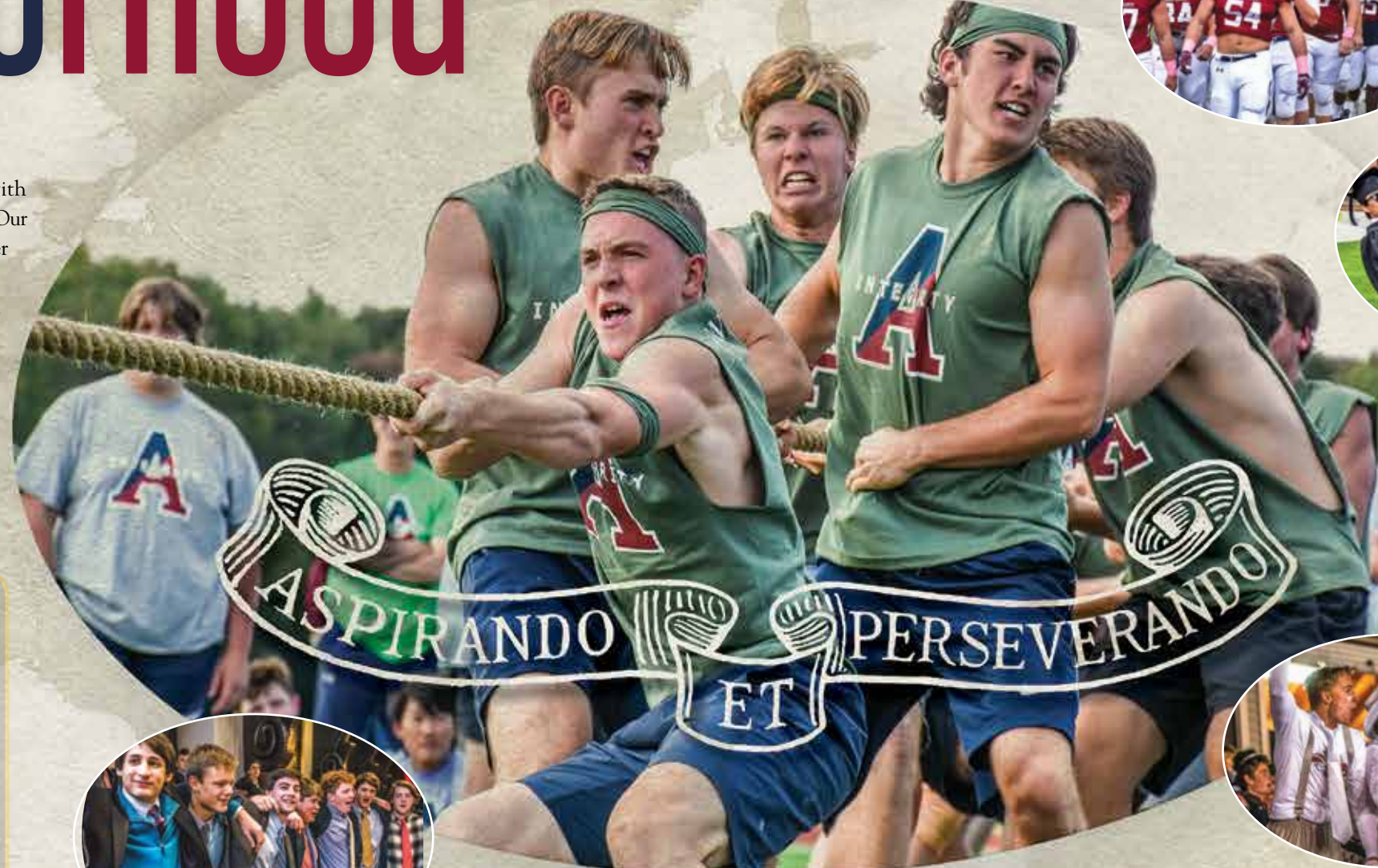


Brotherhood

Together Stronger.

Our Brotherhood is real.

The Brotherhood starts on our campus, nestled on 860 acres with Cotswold-inspired architecture, and it spreads across the world. Our founder Theodate Pope Riddle said, "the ways in which we differ are far more important than the ways in which we are alike." For generations, Avon Old Farms has taken pride in the rich mosaic of our community: *a body that can accomplish incredible feats and support one another through the obstacles of learning and life.* Membership in the Brotherhood is a privilege and responsibility. Avon Old Farms holds its Brotherhood to the highest standard, expecting each boy to value respect, embody courage, to stand up to injustice, and be a force for good in the world.



"The Avon Brotherhood is a connection that is unlike any other that I have or will ever experience."

- A.J. CAPUTO '17

"When I was in 8th grade, my mother passed. Many people I did not know came to give their condolences. I particularly remember a group of young men dressed in blue blazers who came a long way. My father said to me, 'Those are the Avon boys from your brother's school.' I thought to myself, there's no way he knows all those guys. Now that I have graduated from the school, I have first-hand experience of being a part of this awesome brotherhood."



We're all on the same team.

Bound by the common goal of pursuing excellence, students find strength in our Brotherhood. At Avon Old Farms, the lessons about teamwork continue to guide our students and alumni to be their best selves and to sacrifice for the greater good.



Graduation is just the beginning.

When students matriculate from Avon Old Farms, they are equipped to handle the challenges that lay ahead; however, they always find their way back "home." Year after year, our alumni return to Avon Old Farms where they find comfort and strength. Here, they rekindle meaningful memories and experiences.



Respect is the core of our Brotherhood.

All students at Avon Old Farms are unique, and we derive strength from this diversity. Our students appreciate the value of these differences, which helps to create a community as strong as the stone and oak on which our campus is built.



Encouragement fosters the strength of our Brotherhood.

Because each student finds support in his niche, our community flourishes in a dynamic way. The spirit of reinforcing boys' goals traces back to our founder, Theodate Pope Riddle, and her vision of creating leaders who are independent in thought and strong in moral principles.

- AUSTRIA •
- BAHAMAS •
- BARBADOS •
- BRAZIL •
- CANADA •
- CHILE •
- CHINA •
- COLOMBIA •
- CZECH REPUBLIC •
- DOMINICAN REPUBLIC •
- EGYPT •
- ENGLAND •
- FINLAND •
- FRANCE •
- GERMANY •
- GREECE •
- GUATEMALA •
- HONDURAS •
- HONG KONG •
- HUNGARY •
- INDONESIA •
- IRELAND •
- ISRAEL •
- ITALY •
- JAMAICA •
- JAPAN •
- KENYA •
- KOREA •
- KUWAIT •
- MACAU •
- MEXICO •
- NAMIBIA •
- NETHERLANDS •
- NEW ZEALAND •
- NORWAY •
- PAKISTAN •
- PANAMA •
- PERU •
- PHILIPPINES •
- PORTUGAL •
- LATVIA •
- RUSSIA •
- SAUDI ARABIA •
- SERBIA •
- SINGAPORE •
- SOUTH KOREA •
- SPAIN •
- SWEDEN •
- SWITZERLAND •
- TAIWAN •
- THAILAND •
- THE UNITED ARAB EMIRATES •
- UNITED KINGDOM •
- UNITED STATES •
- VENEZUELA •



5,575+ ALUMNI



2,300+ ALUMNI CONNECTED

49/50 STATES



57 COUNTRIES

Avonians Living Around the World

74 LEGACY STUDENTS

600+ alums use



our Avon Old Farms Alumni Mobile App

19 ALUMNI FACULTY MEMBERS



ON CAMPUS

21 SETS OF BROTHERS



"The ways in which we differ are more important than the ways in which we are alike."

-Theodate Pope Riddle

The Avon Advantage.



At Avon Old Farms School, our goal is to educate the whole boy.

We design our academic program to inspire students to flourish scholastically; however, there is an immense amount of learning that occurs outside of the classroom walls.

Our extracurricular activities are second to none. It is imperative that our boys discover the value of service. With numerous student-driven clubs on campus, all boys have the ability to find and nurture new interests.

Avon Old Farms also offers opportunities for students to interact with our local sister schools and the surrounding community on a regular basis. Every facet of life at Avon Old Farms cultivates good men.



Our founder Mrs. Riddle stated, "Academic work shall be directed toward deepening and enriching the thought processes of the students that they may be able to appraise existing situations and those which will confront them later in life."

Academics: Innovation.

At Avon Old Farms, our academic program instills a curiosity in learning. Dedicated faculty members encourage students to embrace the multitude of academic offerings available. As the world continues to evolve and academia progresses, Avon Old Farms examines learning and practices that best suit boys.



The liberal arts curriculum inherent in our academic program challenges our students, stretching their capacity to think abstractly and building a foundation to excel in college. Furthermore, to match the growing innovation in the world today, Avon Old Farms offers a robust selection of STEM and STEAM curricula to prepare students for this new and exciting educational landscape. Upon graduation, our students matriculate to the top universities and colleges in the nation and excel in their chosen path of study.



- 30**
CLUB OFFERINGS
- 890,760**
IN 24 HOURS

PUSH-UPS FOR PATRIOTS
- 2,640**
DUNKIN' DONUTS
Eaten in a day!
fundraiser
- A**

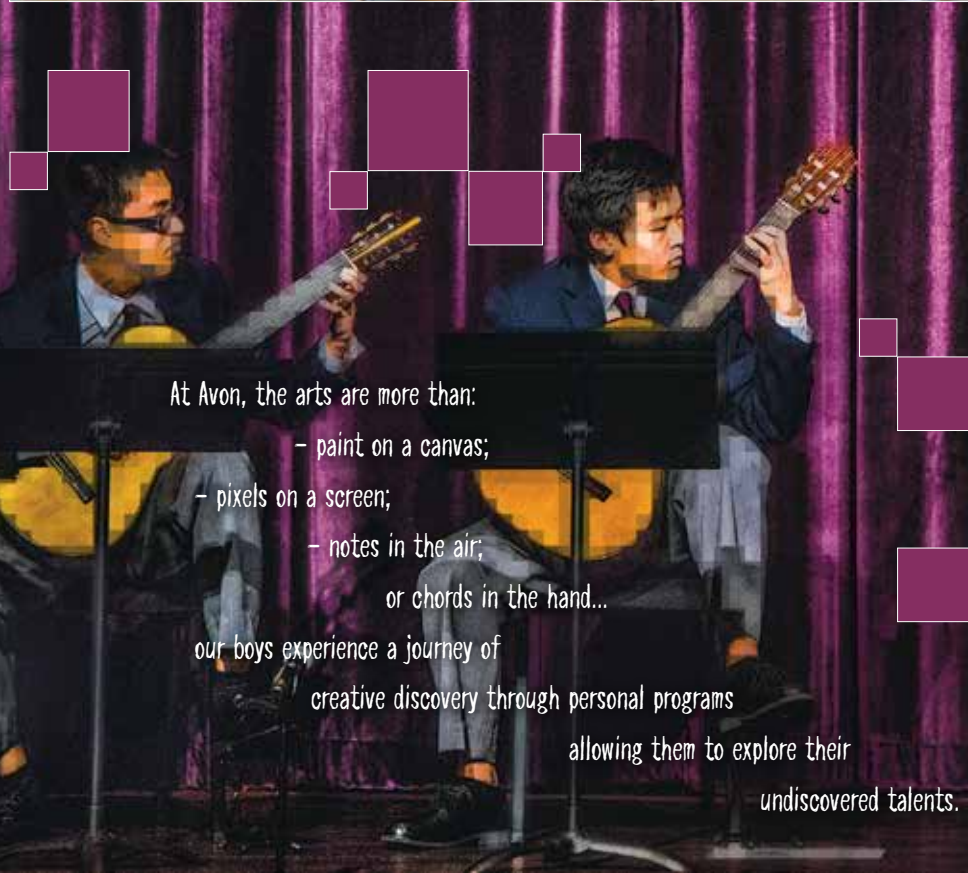
Two Boarding Sister Schools Each Within
• 4 MILES •
- \$17,500+**

HANDS ON HARTFORD

Charitable funds raised by Avon student body 12/2017
- 16** **AP**
ADVANCED PLACEMENT COURSES
- 65**
FULL-TIME TEACHERS
- 67%**

of TEACHERS hold ADVANCED DEGREES
- Approximately **85** STUDENTS are engaged in our **ALUMNI MENTOR PROGRAM**
- 7** Days of Intensive **Intercession Classes**
32 Specialized Topics Offered

Creating Creativity.



At Avon, the arts are more than:

- paint on a canvas;
- pixels on a screen;
- notes in the air;
- or chords in the hand...

our boys experience a journey of creative discovery through personal programs

allowing them to explore their undiscovered talents.



ATHLETICS



• LOOMIS CHAFFEE • CHOATE •
 TRINITY-PAWLING • KENT •
 Although we've won more than 30 league and New England championships over the last 15 years, we are most proud of ensuring that an athletic experience is accessible to and enjoyed by all our students. We offer more than 24 sub-varsity teams and intramural activities.
 AOF is a proud member of the Founders League - comprised of highly selective college preparatory schools and nationally recognized as one of the most competitive and respected athletic leagues in the country.
 FOUNDERS LEAGUE
 • KINGSWOOD-OXFORD • TAFT •

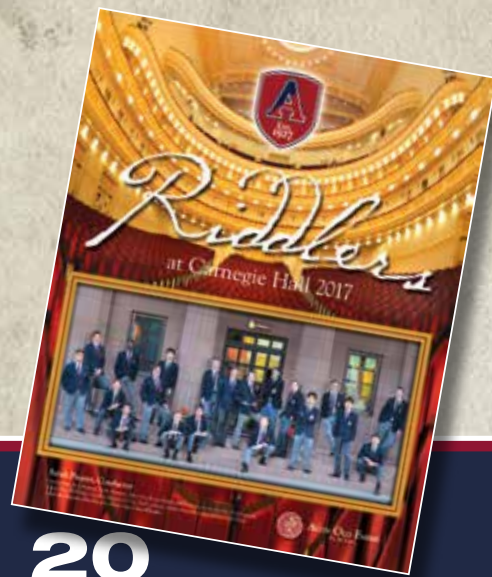
For decades, Avon Old Farms has served as the premier independent school in the athletic arena. When our teams wear the crimson and navy, they understand the significance of our storied athletic history, producing countless championships and professional athletes that continue to dominate today.

Whether our athletes have a professional future or are trying a sport for the first time, the athletic program wholly supports and challenges each student. Similar to all other facets of our community, Avon Old Farms utilizes our athletic program to emphasize our mission of cultivating young men of integrity, who honor wisdom, justice, inclusion, service, and the pursuit of truth.



Avonians Compete at All Levels.

Men of Avon embody an inspired dedication to the arts. In the studio or on the stage, students understand the significance of an artistic and creative education. It is through the arts that Avon Old Farms cultivates a curiosity for learning, helping our students discover dormant talents. With visual artists that continually receive national awards, instrumentalists that command the stage, and a singing group that performs in some of the greatest music venues in the world, Avon Old Farms is proud of the creative mark we continue to leave on the world.



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 Avon Riddlers
 performed at Carnegie Hall

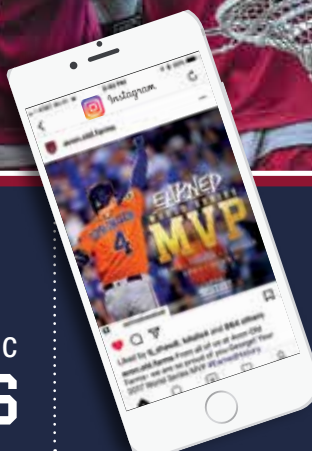
75%
 of our students exceed the minimum art requirement

3 Yearbook Gold Medals
 Columbia Scholastic Press Association
 (2014 - 18)

35 COURSES
 in the arts
 OFFERED

14 Scholastic
 CT Art Award Gold
 Key Winners
 (2014 - 18)

14 Interscholastic
 SPORTS



Instagram
 866 Likes
 George Springer '08
 Voted MVP of 2017
 WORLD SERIES

Avon Lacrosse
 2017 Founders League
 Champions Ranked
13th
 Nationally
 by USA Today

2x
 NUMBER OF TIMES
 THE STANLEY CUP
 HAS BEEN TO AVON
 NICK BONINO '07 • 2-TIME NHL STANLEY CUP CHAMPION



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Avon, CT 06001



Enjoy a 360-degree virtual tour of our campus at
www.avonoldfarms.com/360tour

By leveraging relational learning in a structured and well-balanced environment, Avon Old Farms is expert in educating boys.

We prepare our young men to matriculate to top-tier institutions while developing and refining the personal character traits that are needed to be successful throughout one's entire life – *all within a unique brotherhood community, guided by traditional Avonian values that build men who impact society in positive and constructive ways.*

For more information visit:
www.avonoldfarms.com

Or contact our admissions department at (860) 404-4243

